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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	Confirmation No.: 1980
Cates, et al.	)	Art Unit: 3731
Application No. 10/791,196	)	Examiner: Michael Thaler
Filed: March 2, 2004	)	Attorney Docket No.: 13829.105005
For: Blood Vessel Sealing System	)	

**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 7, 2007**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed on May 7, 2007, Applicants submitted a Response on August 7, 2007 that included a terminal disclaimer. In subsequent telephone conversations, Examiner Thaler indicated that a new terminal disclaimer needed to be submitted that does not pre-date the Revocation and Grant of Power of Attorney that was filed on August 28, 2007. Accordingly, Applicants submit herewith a new terminal disclaimer that post-dates the Revocation and Grant of Power of Attorney. Applicants respectfully submit that no additional fees are necessary. However, to the extent any additional fees are needed with this submission, authorization is hereby given to charge any such fees to Deposit Account No. 11-0980.

**Claim Status** is listed on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this document.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via facsimile to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, facsimile no. 571-273-8300, on September 4, 2007.